

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed to eliminate multiple dependency, and to conform the claims to conventional format.

For the record, Applicants emphasize that although the claims were amended, and, therefore, might be argued to have been amended for a reason substantially related to patentability, a fair reading of the amended claims will reveal that the departures from the previous claims were for clarification purposes only, and that Applicants did not narrow the claims in any material respect. Therefore, Applicants submit that the amended claims are entitled to the full range of equivalents.

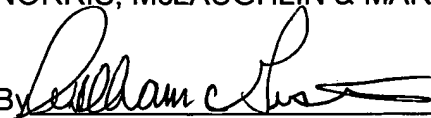
Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

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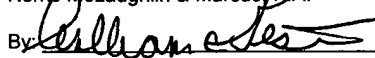
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MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIM,
SHOWING CHANGES RELATIVE TO PREVIOUS VERSION

Claim 2 (amended). The emulsion as claimed in claim 1, wherein its lipid content is [chosen from] in the range from 0.5% by weight to 20% by weight[, preferably from 5 to 10% by weight].

Claim 3 (amended). The emulsion as claimed in claim [1] 6 , wherein its lipid content is up to 7.5% by weight.

Claim 4 (amended). The emulsion as claimed in claim 1, [which comprises] further comprising one or more dyes [and/or] coloring pigments, or a combination thereof.

Claim 5 (amended). The emulsion as claimed in claim 4, wherein the total amount of the dyes and coloring pigments is [chosen] from [the range from, for example,] 0.1% by weight to 30% by weight[, preferably from 0.5 to 15% by weight, in particular from 1.0 to 10% by weight, in each case] based on the total weight of the preparations.